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TAGS: PFOR, CM, NI

SUBJECT: NIGERIAN CHIEF OF STAFF, SUPREME HEADQUARTERS, VISITS  
CAMEROON

REF: LAGOS 9217

1. BRIG SHEHU YAR'ADUA AND ENTOURAGE (REFTEL) VISITED  
YAOUNDE FROM AUG 13-15. HE HAILED AS NIGERIAN PRIME MINISTER  
IN LOCAL PRESS AND ATTENDED NUMBER AFFIARS, INCLUDING GRADUATION  
CADETS MILITARY ACADEMY (ECOLE MILITAIRE INTERARMES  
DU CAMEROUN - EMIA) AND RECEPTION FOLLOWING, STATE DINNER AND  
PRIVATE CONVERSATIONS PRESIDENT AHIDJO. AT RECEPTION  
AHIDJO, YAR-ADUA AND NIGERIAN AMBASSADOR SANI FREQUENTLY SEEN IN  
STAGE CENTER WITH NON-DRINKING AHIDJO UNCHARACTERISTICALLY  
CRACKING JOKES AND SLAPPING OTHERS ON BACK.

2. NIGERIAN CHARGE ALHAJI M WAZIRI LAMINO (AMB SANI CAME  
AND LEFT WITH DELEGATION) CLAIMED VISIT MERELY GOOD WILL AS  
NO ONE EQUIVALENT RANK HAD VISITED CAMEROON SINCE FEBRUARY  
ATTEMPTED COUP HAD RESULTED ELEVATION GEN OBASANJO AS NEW  
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3. COMMENT: YAR'ADUA GIVEN GOOD PRESS COVERAGE. HE QUOTED AS SAYING "OUR TWO COUNTRIES LIVE AS ONE PEOPLE." THIS MAY REFER TO COMMON HAUSA-FULANI HERITAGE. HOWEVER, NERVOUS CAMEROON (7 MILLION POPULATION) VIEWS NIGERIAN 75 MILLION WITH SUSPICION AND APPREHENSION. SOUGY CAMEROONIANS, PARTICULARLY FORMER WEST CAMEROONIANS, WOULD, FOR DIFFERENT REASONS, NOT WISH BE CHARACTERIZED AS "ONE PEOPLE" WITH NIGERIGANS.  
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